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Administrator Marion Blakey U.S. Department of Transportation Room Plaza 401400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001

Subject: Docket Number: FAA-2004-18596 - 362/

## Dear Administrator Blakey:

I urge you to finalize the proposed rule to permit the use of certain portable oxygen concentrator devices on aircraft.

Over one million Americans have medical conditions that require the use of supplemental oxygen to engage in activities of daily living. With appropriate supplemental oxygen, patients can lead full, productive lives. Many patients enjoy all the travel and leisure activities - except airline travel.

This proposed rule is a step in the right direction to help passengers that require supplemental oxygen travel easier. However the proposed rule should be strengthened by having the FAA require all airlines to permit the use of FAA-approved portable oxygen concentrators. Please ensure the final rule requires FAA-approved portable oxygen concentrators be allowed on board all civilian air travel.

My mother requires oxygen and is prohibited from air travel to visit grandsons. She has not been able to visit them in three years.

Sincerely,

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